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CUDWORTH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Divisional Health Office,
33 Queens Road,
BARNSELEY.

November, 1962.

ANNUAL REPORT
for the Year ended 31st December, 1961.

To the Chairman and Members of the
CUDWORTH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman and Members,

I have the honour to present to you my sixth Annual Report on the health and social conditions of your district for the year ended 31st December, 1961.

The statistics in respect of your area are quite satisfactory. There is a slight increase in the death rate, but the adjusted rate is really not a great deal out on the comparability factor as supplied by the Registrar General, and I would not attach too much significance to this. The Infant Mortality Rate showed a slight decline and is now within the national average. Perhaps comment should be made that five deaths occurred from Cancer of Lung or Bronchus, compared with two in the previous year. These deaths were entirely male. The increase in the prevalence of Infectious Diseases was almost entirely due to an outbreak of Measles, and most of the other common conditions showed a welcome decline. Immunisation and vaccination statistics continued to improve and have now reached a very satisfactory level. Your infant welfare clinic is thriving, but there has been some decline in the attendances at the ante-natal clinic. I feel that this is probably due to more modern premises being provided by the West Riding County Council in a neighbouring authority - people from that district having previously attended your clinic.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Chairman and Members of the Council for the courtesy and many kindnesses they have shown, the Public Health Inspector for his help and co-operation and the staff of the divisional health office for their loyal support.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

R. BARNES.

Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION I

URBAN DISTRICT OF CUDWORTH

Statistics and Social Conditions

Area	1,746 acres
Registrar-General's estimate of Population mid 1961	9,040
No. of inhabited houses according to the Rate Book 31st December, 1961	2,714
Rateable Value, 31st December, 1961	£63,095
Nett product of a Penny Rate 1961/62	£237.10s.8d.

The principal occupations of the inhabitants of the district are coalmining and railway transport.

VITAL STATISTICS

Population

The Registrar General's estimated population at mid 1961 was 9,040 as compared with 8,960 at mid 1960. The natural increase of population showing the increase of births over deaths was 57 as compared with 73 in the previous year.

Live Births

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	82	75	157
Illegitimate	2	-	2

The number of live births registered showed a decrease of 13 on the previous year. The Registrar General again supplied a comparability factor which relates the proportion of women in the district of childbearing age with the proportion in a standard population. The crude birth rate multiplied by the comparability factor gives an adjusted rate which is comparable with adjusted birth rates in other districts and with the birth rate for the country as a whole. The adjusted birth rate for your district last year was 16.9 per 1,000 estimated population as compared with 18.4 per 1,000 estimated population in 1960 and with 17.4 per 1,000 estimated population for England and Wales.

Stillbirths

3 stillbirths were notified last year as compared with 4 in 1960. The stillbirth rate was 18.5 per 1,000 total live and stillbirths as compared with 22.7 per 1,000 total births in 1960 and with 18.7 per 1,000 total births for England and Wales.

Deaths

The adjusted death rate which is the crude death rate multiplied by the comparability factor, was 15.5 per 1,000 estimated population as compared with 15.1 per 1,000 estimated population for 1960 and with 12.0 per 1,000 estimated population for England and Wales. There were 102 deaths among the inhabitants of your district during the year as against 99 in the previous year. The principal causes of death in order of numerical importance were: heart and circulatory disease, respiratory diseases and cancer. Statistics relating to death rates and the causes and ages at death are given in tabular form at the end of the section on vital statistics.

Accidental Deaths

Accidental deaths registered during the year were as follows:

Road Accidents:	1 Female - 2 months
Home Accidents:	1 Female - 74 years (Gas Poisoning)
	1 Male - 80 years (Fall)
Accidents at Work:	1 Male - 58 years

Infant Mortality

There were four infant deaths in your district last year, giving an infant mortality rate of 25.2 per 1,000 live births, as compared with 29.1 per 1,000 live births during the previous year. The corresponding rates for the administrative County were 24.6 and for England and Wales 21.4. With numbers as small as this there is no statistical significant difference from the national and County figures. Three infant deaths occurred in Hospital and neither of the deaths from prematurity occurred at home. The illegitimate infant death rate was Nil.

Peri-natal Mortality

You will recall that this figure, which is the number of stillbirths plus the number of deaths occurring in the first week of live per 1,000 total live and stillbirths, was rather high for your district last year. This year it shows a substantial decline to 30.9, which is well within the County average. No national figure is available.

Maternal Mortality

There were no deaths from maternal causes during the year.

INFANT MORTALITY IN 1961

Nett deaths from stated causes under one year of age

Cause of Death	Under 1 week	1 - 2 wks.	2 - 3 wks.	3 - 4 wks.	Total under four weeks	1 - 3 mths.	3 - 6 mths.	6 - 9 mths.	9 - 12 mths.	Total under one year
Road Accident	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Prematurity	1	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Congenital Causes	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
TOTAL	2	-	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	4

DEATHS IN AGE GROUPS

							Males	Females	Total
Under 1 year	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4
1 - 5 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
5 - 10 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
10 - 15 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
15 - 20 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
20 - 25 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
25 - 35 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	-	2
35 - 45 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
45 - 55 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	5
55 - 65 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	4	16
65 - 70 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	9	14
70 - 75 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	8	19
75 - 80 years	8	11	19
80 - 85 years	9	8	17
85 - 90 years	2	2	4
90 years and over	-	-	-

TOTALS	...	55	47	102
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CAUSES OF DEATH IN 1961

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory	2	-	2
2. Tuberculosis, other	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic Disease	-	-	-
4. Diphtheria	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal Infections	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
8. Measles	-	-	-
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases ...	-	-	-
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	-	-	-
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	5	-	5
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	1	1
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	2	2
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms ...	2	3	5
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia	-	1	1
16. Diabetes	1	2	3
17. Vascular lesions of nervous systems	3	3	6
18. Coronary disease, angina	11	9	20
19. Hypertension	1	-	1
20. Other heart disease	8	10	18
21. Other circulatory disease	2	-	2
22. Influenza	-	2	2
23. Pneumonia	3	1	4
24. Bronchitis	8	4	12
25. Other diseases of respiratory system	-	-	-
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	-	1
27. Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	-	-	-
28. Nephritis and nephrosis	2	1	3
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	-	-	-
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations	-	1	1
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases ...	3	4	7
33. Motor vehicle accidents	-	1	1
34. All other accidents	2	2	4
35. Suicide	1	-	1
36. Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-

ALL CAUSES	55	47	102
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PRINCIPAL VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1961.

Based on the Registrar General Figures

	<u>CUDWORTH</u> <u>Urban</u> <u>District</u>	<u>Aggregate</u> <u>W. Riding</u> <u>Urban</u> <u>Districts</u>	<u>West</u> <u>Riding</u> <u>Admin.</u> <u>County</u>	<u>England</u> <u>and Wales</u> <u>(provisional</u> <u>figures)</u>
Birth rate per 1,000 estimated population:				
Crude 	17.6	16.7	17.2	17.4
Adjusted 	16.9	16.9	17.4	17.4
Death rate per 1,000 estimated population:				
Crude 	11.3	12.8	12.1	12.0
Adjusted 	15.5	13.6	13.4	12.0
Infective and Parasitic diseases excluding Tuberculosis but including Venereal Diseases 	-	0.05	0.05	Not available
Tuberculosis:				
Respiratory 	0.22	0.06	0.06	0.07
Other 	-	0.00	0.00	0.01
All forms 	0.22	0.06	0.07	0.07
Cancer 	1.55	2.09	1.98	2.16
Vascular lesions of the nervous system ...	0.66	1.97	1.84	Not available
Heart and Circulatory diseases 	4.53	4.79	4.50	Not available
Respiratory diseases ...	1.99	1.75	1.64	Not available
Maternal Mortality ...	-	0.30	0.27	0.33
Infant Mortality ...	25.2	24.2	24.6	21.4
Stillbirths 	18.5	19.7	20.2	18.7

SECTION II

GENERAL PROVISION OF THE HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

Staff

The Medical Officer of Health is a part-time officer of the Council but he is engaged on whole-time Public Health work being also Medical Officer of Health for the surrounding districts and the Divisional Medical Officer of Health for Division No. 25 of the West Riding County Council. One Public Health Inspector is employed by the Council.

General Hospitals

The general hospitals serving your district are given below. Their administration rests with the Leeds and Sheffield Hospital Boards through the local hospital management committees.

Leeds Regional Hospital Board:

1. Clayton Hospital, Wakefield.
2. General Hospital, Wakefield.
3. Leeds General Infirmary.
4. Headlands Hospital, Pontefract.

Sheffield Regional Hospital Board:

1. The United Group Hospitals, Sheffield.
2. The Beckett Hospital, Barnsley.
3. The St. Helen Hospital, Barnsley.
4. Mount Vernon Hospital, Barnsley.

Infectious Diseases Hospitals

All infectious diseases requiring hospital admission were admitted to the Kendray Hospital, Barnsley. The ambulance arrangements were the same as for the previous year with the hospital retaining its own ambulances for the service.

Maternity Hospitals

Maternity cases were usually admitted to the following hospitals:

- St. Helen Hospital, Barnsley.
- Pindar Oaks Maternity Home, Barnsley.
- Manygates Hospital, Wakefield.
- Hallamshire Maternity Home, Chapeltown.

The services of the Jessop Hospital, Sheffield, and the Maternity Hospital, Leeds, were also available for abnormal obstetric cases.

Tuberculosis

Most patients suffering from the disease are admitted to the Wath Wood Hospital, and co-operation is maintained with the Chest Physician who holds out-patients' sessions at the Chest Clinic, 46 Church Street, Barnsley.

Details of sessions are as follow:

Tuesday,	10.0 a.m. to 12.0 noon.	(children)
Wednesday,	10.0 a.m. to 12.0 noon.	
Wednesday,	2.0 p.m. to 4.0 p.m.	
Thursday,	10.0 a.m. to 12.0 noon	(children)
Friday,	10.0 a.m. to 12.0 noon	

Venereal Diseases

The nearest centre for Cudworth patients for the diagnosis and treatment of these diseases is in Barnsley:

Address:

Special Treatment Centre,
Queens Road,
BARNSELEY.

Other centres are situate at Sheffield, Wakefield and Rotherham and a patient suffering from Venereal Disease is at liberty to attend at the centre of his choice. Treatment is completely confidential.

Infant Welfare Centres

Infant Welfare Clinics were held at the Aged People's Centre all day Wednesdays.

Ante-Natal Clinics were held in the same premises mainly on Friday mornings.

Laboratory Service

The laboratory service was provided by the Public Health Laboratory in Wakefield, a national wervice under the control of the Medical Research Council. The laboratory is equipped to deal with all bacteriological and pathological examinations, and a complete investigation is undertaken and report furnished for every specimen sent for examination.

Samples of milk taken under the Food and Drugs Act for chemical analysis were examined by the Public Analyst at the expense of the County Council.

Ambulance Service

The ambulance service is operated by the West Riding County Council. The depot for your area being at South Kirkby, Telephone No. South Elmsall 291.

SECTION III

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The incidence of notifiable infectious diseases in your district last year amounted to 310 cases, compared with 53 in the previous year.

<u>Notifiable Diseases</u> <u>other than Tuberculosis</u>							<u>Number</u> <u>notified</u>
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Measles	...	...	...	...	...	...	276
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
Dysentery	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Erysipelas	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Meningococcal Infection	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	...	...	...	...	...	...	-

Scarlet Fever

10 notifications were received during the year as compared with 23 in the previous year. The cases were well distributed and generally could be described as sporadic.

Measles

276 cases of Measles were notified during the year, compared with 2 in the previous year. This is a disease which nationally and locally occurs every second year, and this was the year of high incidence.

Primary Pneumonia

21 cases were notified in 1961, compared with 10 in the previous year. It is noteworthy that 18 of these cases occurred in the first quarter and would appear to have been associated with an outbreak of influenza which occurred predominantly during the last half of January and the first half of February.

Smallpox

No case of Smallpox occurred during the year. The number of babies vaccinated against the disease was 58 compared with 54 in the previous year. It is noteworthy that in 1959, 88 babies were vaccinated. In order to lessen the risks of vaccination it is now policy to carry out this procedure after one year of age, and I am afraid it is very difficult to ensure that this is done at a later stage.

Diphtheria and Whooping Cough

No cases of Diphtheria were notified during the year. There was again a welcome increase in the number of children immunised against the disease. The figures show that of the children under the age of 15 years, 90% were immune, compared with 86.4% for 1960. The figure for pre-school children rose from 63% to 69.5% and for school children the figure rose from 97.7% to 98.5%. This is a really excellent level of immunity.

Once case of Whooping Cough occurred during the year compared with 8 in the previous year. The percentage of children immunised in the 0 - 4 years age group was 69.7% compared with 63.1% in the previous year.

Poliomyelitis

No case of Poliomyelitis occurred during the year. The number of persons receiving two doses during the year was 683, mainly in the children and adult groups. This brings the total number of persons immunised in Cudworth since the scheme began to 3,993 and of these 2,865 have received a third dose.

Tuberculosis

Five cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified during the year, compared with three in the previous year. No cases of Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis occurred.

I regret that there were two deaths from the disease - both over the age of 65 years.

TUBERCULOSIS - Record of Cases during 1961

	<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary</u>	
	M	F	M	F
No. of cases on Register at 1st January	22	17	4	2
No. of cases notified for the first time during the year	3	2	-	-
No. of cases restored to Register	-	-	-	-
No. of cases added to Register otherwise than by notification	-	-	-	-
No. removed to other districts ...	1	-	-	-
No. cured or otherwise removed from Register	2	1	-	-
No. died from Tuberculosis	2	-	-	-
No. died from other causes	-	-	-	-
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TOTAL at end of 1961	20	18	4	2

TUBERCULOSIS - New Cases and Mortality in 1961

<u>Age Periods</u>	<u>NEW CASES</u>		<u>DEATHS</u>	
	<u>Pulmonary</u>	<u>Non-Pulmonary</u>	<u>Pulmonary</u>	<u>Non-Pulmonary</u>
0 - 1 year ...	-	-	-	-
1 - 5 years ...	-	-	-	-
5 - 10 years ...	1	-	-	-
10 - 15 years ...	-	-	-	-
15 - 20 years ...	-	-	-	-
20 - 25 years ...	1	-	-	-
25 - 35 years ...	1	-	-	-
35 - 45 years ...	1	-	-	-
45 - 55 years ...	-	-	-	-
55 - 65 years ...	-	-	-	-
Over 65 years ...	1	-	2	-
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TOTALS	5	-	2	-

SECTION IV.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR 1961.

To the Chairman and Members of the Cudworth Urban District Council and to the Divisional Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Barnes.

Gentlemen,

The following is a tabular statement showing the work carried out by the Public Health Inspector during 1961:-

Total number of inspections made for nuisances and housing defects	484
Nuisances and housing defects in hand ending 1960	8
Nuisances and housing defects found in 1961	49
Nuisances and housing defects needing abatement	57
Nuisances and housing defects outstanding ending 1961	13
Nuisances and housing defects rectified during 1961	44
Informal notices served during 1961	52
Legal notices served during 1961	14
Legal and informal notices complied with during 1961	53

Carried forward from 1960 the Council was compelled to apply to the Magistrates Court on the 3rd March, 1961 for a Nuisance Order in respect of 32 Bloemfontein Street (worn-out combination firerange) because the owner had failed to comply with the notice served upon him. The Nuisance Order was not complied with and the Council thereupon obtained tenders for the work and acted in default. Cost £71.

The undermentioned premises required the attention of the Public Health Inspector's department during the year:-

10 Charles Street; 46 and 48 Pontefract Road; 2a Clifford Street; 26 Bloemfontein Street; 13 Princess Street; 67/69 Snydale Road; 19 Acre Road; 354 Barnsley Road; 36 Manor Road; 12 Churchfield Crescent; 205 Barnsley Road; 188 Pontefract Road; 1 Park Avenue; 11 Bow Street; 2/4 Eveline Street; 5 Eveline Street; 223 Pontefract Road; 20 Lunn Road; 7 Church View; 19 Beech Avenue; 12 Weetshaw Lane; 249 Pontefract Road; Secondary Modern School; 38 Manor Road; 36 Snydale Road; 33/35 Jackson Street; 50 Lunn Road; 171 Snydale Road; 56 Bloemfontein Street; "Carl-haze", Royston Lane; Lock-up shop, Darfield Road (Blackledge); Broker's Yard, Bloemfontein Street (Beckett); 7 Park Avenue; 19 Jackson Street; 2/4 Sidcop Road; 30 Charles Street; 20 Churchfield Terrace; 31 Churchfield Avenue; 33/35 Bloemfontein Street; 13 Market Place; 251 Pontefract Road; 46 York Street; 159 Snydale Road; 23 Churchfield Avenue; 86 Barnsley Road; 14 Market Place; 203 to 229 Snydale Road; 10 Somerset Street; 13 to 31 Bow Street.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

97.8% of the houses within the Council's district are connected to the public sewerage system. The remaining 2.2% of houses have their foul water output discharging to either a small septic tank and filter arrangement with underground discharge of the final effluent (13 houses), or to underground cesspools or on to the surface of isolated plots of land some considerable distance away from dwellinghouses. The Council now provide a rate-borne cesspool emptying service and private drainage and disposal of waste liquid matters appears, on the whole, to be satisfactory. At the end of 1961 there were approximately 45 cesspools falling to be dealt with by the cleansing service.

The areas of the district which still require a public sewerage system are Weetshaw Lane, Royston Lane, Storrs Mill and Carrs Lane, all of them being near the Council's extreme boundaries.

Attention to storm water overflows is given by the surveyor's department as the need arises.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

99% of the houses in the district are provided with water closets which either discharge to the public sewer or to underground cesspools, in which latter cases the cesspool cleansing service is used. There are 6 chemical closets or pail closets in Belle Green (6 houses). There are 6 privy middens in the Storrs Mill area (6 houses). There are 3 privy middens at Weetshaw Cottages (6 houses). There was 1 pail closet at Ring Farm, Lower Cudworth. At the end of 1961 preliminary steps were taken by the owner to convert this to an inside w.c. by means of a House Purchase and House Improvement grant, the house itself having been found by the occupier to possess an underground cesspool.

The pail closet at Storrs Mill farm was converted to a w.c. by means of a grant under the beformentioned statute and drains to an underground cesspool.

During the year all the owners of properties served by closet accommodation other than orthodox w.c.'s were invited informally to study the benefits to be obtained by converting with the aid of a grant, and to express an opinion on the principles involved. Other than the National Coal Board (owners of Storrs Mill farm and Ring Farm, Lower Cudworth) none of the landlords communicated with, commenced taking any steps which would lead to improving their rented properties.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

This service is operated by the Surveyor's Department and includes the cleansing of cesspools. Removal of house refuse is so arranged that dust bins throughout the district are emptied twice in each 8 days; the frequency of emptying cesspools is based on the Council's requirement, namely, four times in each year.

Early in 1961, with the introduction of the service, the Surveyor informed the Council that certain of the cesspools were inaccessible and that others required repair, improvement or enlargement. Arising out of the claim, the Public Health Inspector was required to examine each cesspool and notify the General Purposes Committee in due course what manner of improvements should be carried out. The instruction was complied with, but the Council refrained from adopting the measures recommended by the Public Health Inspector.

DISPOSAL OF REFUSE

The whole of the house refuse collected is disposed of at the Council's refuse disposal site in Weetshaw Lane. Two further tipping spaces are available in Snydale Road and in Lower Barnsley Road, but these latter two are reserved for the disposal of dry building refuse.

During the year the Weetshaw Lane site was provided with an unclimbable, concrete pannelled, barbed wire fence to dissuade unauthorised persons having access to the refuse tip, and to provide a proper line of demarcation between the site and the public highway.

WATER SUPPLY

All the dwellinghouses in the Council's district have a water supply laid on inside the premises, some 2,843 in all. A new water main was provided (to replace an inefficient choked main), for the 16 houses in the Storrs Mill area.

The Barnsley County Borough Council provides the water and it is the responsibility of the Cudworth Urban District Council to secure it's distribution. During 1961 preliminary steps were taken towards a newly constituted Joint Water Committee which would supervise all arrangements for water distribution within the areas of several Urban and Rural Districts adjacent to Barnsley.

MILK SUPPLY

On the 1st January, 1961 the issue of supplementary licences for the sale of milks by the producers and milk processors passed, by statute, from the Cudworth U.D.C. to the County Council of the West Riding of Yorkshire. Shopkeepers, annually licensed up to 1960, who retail milk in sealed containers, also became subject to control by the County Council on the 1st January, 1961. All milk producers' outputs are sent for heat-treatment before being sold to the consumer.

SALE OF FOODS

During the year one of the two catering establishments was closed down; due to ill-health of the proprietor a bakehouse was closed, re-opened by a new user (coming from outside the Council's district), and re-closed after a short period of use. There were 7 bakehouses in use at the end of 1961. There are also some 70 other shop premises which retail open and packaged foodstuffs. All appear to be kept in a satisfactory condition and most of them are now provided with cold cabinet equipment for the storage of perishable foods and deep-frozen, packetted cooked and uncooked materials.

There are 32 shop premises registered for the sale of ice cream, but the ice cream is supplied by a wholesaler, frozen and ready-wrapped. There are about four retailer-producers who tour the streets and whose preparation premises are outside Cudworth who still retail ice cream delivered to their vans or vehicles in bulk, as distinct from individually prepacked small portions; there is still a good all-the-year-round demand for the ice-cream sandwich and cornet filled while you wait at the vehicle. Personnel and equipment used for this type of trade appears to be quite satisfactory.

MEAT INSPECTION SERVICE (at two private slaughterhouses)

On the 1st July, 1961 an Order came into force, made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, which prohibits the creation of further slaughterhouses in the Council's district without the Minister's consent, having regard to the Slaughterhouses Act 1958, the Slaughterhouses (Hygiene) Regulations 1958 and the Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations 1958. One of the two private slaughterhouses was closed automatically on the 30th June, 1961 because restricted space prevented the carrying out of proper improvements to comply with the Hygiene Regulations. Over a period of two years improvements were executed at the remaining slaughterhouse which finally received approval of the Divisional Veterinary Officer of the Ministry. It was left with the proprietor to make his own improvement arrangements to comply with Regulations.

The number of visits to slaughterhouses for meat inspections was 84 and 220 beef animals and their organs were examined for presence of disease. No records are kept of sheep slaughtering, it not being regular and "off the hook" purchases frequently being made by the butchers concerned. 12 of the beef animals were found to be affected with diseases of varying types in some part, other than tuberculosis. One animal was found to be affected with tuberculosis in its throat glands (the pharyngeal lymphatics) and was notified to the Ministry of Agriculture at Leeds forthwith in accordance with requirements, who thereupon set machinery in motion to search out the parents of the animal slaughtered.

The slaughterhouse in use in Cudworth caters for one meat retailer only. The standard of animal is high and the standard of presentation for sale and storage on the retailing premises is likewise.

At other retailing meat premises, the meat is slaughtered outside the area of the Cudworth Urban District and brought to the shops by covered vehicles. Condemned animal organs and material and practically all waste meat products are removed twice weekly by a Doncaster digester proprietor for conversion to fertiliser and sterilised.

MOVABLE DWELLINGS

In late Autumn of 1960 the control of movable dwellings was improved by a Town and Country Planning Order, but there does not appear to be any necessity for its use so far in Cudworth. Under the Order permission to create a site for regular use is required by the developer and better provision is made for the provision of water supplies, refuse disposal, sanitary accommodation and the number of caravans allowed to be stationed on the site. Until a site is developed and put into use, the Public Health Inspector is not greatly affected.

If a caravan site forms part of a holding of five acres or more and there are not more than three caravans on the land at any one time and the land is not used for more than 23 days in any year, a site licence is not required. There is only one caravan (occupied by a bachelor) stationed for habitation in Cudworth; it is sited on the extreme boundary of the district.

SWIMMING POOL

The open-air swimming pool in the Miners Welfare Park (owned by the Council) continues in use during the season. Water in the bath is filtered by sand filtration, chlorinated by controlled automatic application (cylindereed chlorine), heated by low-pressure coke-fired boiler, re-oxygenated by cascade and is kept in motion by circulation by electrically driven pumping machinery. During appropriate weather conditions it is the most popular service offered by the Council and the school authority uses it for swimming instruction given by an approved swimming instructor.

There are no privately-owned swimming pools in the district.

RODENT CONTROL

During the year 41 incidents of infestation by rats were dealt with either by the occupiers themselves with free recommended poison baits or by the Council's rodent operator, Mr. Makings. There were no "major" infestations (i.e. "in substantial numbers" as described in the Destruction of Pests Act). The refuse disposal site received two seasonal baitings (May and October) of about $1\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. distributed over the site of the tip. This annual seasonal treatment appears to keep the site at a reduced rodent population.

The Sidcop Clearance area site and orchard land nearby was dealt with for block treatment, the rodent operator at a subsequent search stating that fifteen dead bodies of rodents had been found. The site contains a considerable amount of underground disused drainage system, but certain parts remain in use by new Council dwellings and an "off-licence" shop and dwellinghouse.

HOUSING STATISTICS

Arising from a request made by the Ministry of Housing and Local Government in January 1960 for a provisional 5 years clearance programme, as opportunity presented itself during 1961 certain blocks of dwellinghouse properties were examined for housing defects. This examination continued throughout the year and was not completed by December. It is hoped that by June 1962 a final programme will be ready for the Council to consider and make appropriate Clearance Orders for submission to the Ministry for confirmation.

HOUSING STATISTICS (continued)

During the year the Council acquired by agreement some 5 houses in Manor Road and Somerset Street and 5 houses in Lunn Road. All had been inherited by their then owners and were purchased by the Council at a figure which would allow for improvement under the House Purchase and House Improvement 1949, i.e. the provision of hot water, bath, inside w.c., wash hand bowl and foodstore. The negotiations for purchase originated in the Public Health Inspector's department out of informal steps being taken toward securing outstanding disrepairs being rectified as ordinary day-to-day business.

There are three back-to-back dwellings remaining, namely, 56/58 Whitecross Road, 11 School Hill (closed as uninhabitable) and Storrs Mill Farm cottage (also closed as uninhabitable).

There are three "single" type dwellings (i.e. houses with no through ventilation, Nos. 1 and 3 School Hill (inhabited) and No.8 The Green, Lower Cudworth (uninhabited). With the exception of Storrs Mill Farm cottage all the foregoing are provisionally awaiting statutory action toward clearance.

Thirty houses suffering disrepair were rectified by the owners at the request of the Public Health Inspector. Twenty seven houses were dealt with by the Council under statutory powers under the Public Health Act and two owners were required by the Council to effect repairs under statute requirements which were subsequently met. Whilst there is no exact information as to the extent of overcrowding by the "room measurement" standard of the Housing Act 1957 available, the Council do not hesitate to give prior consideration to those families who suffer overcrowding by reason of mixing of the sexes over the age of ten years. The fact that a downstairs room having a fireplace is recognised as a "habitable room" for sleeping purposes, appears to mystify some of the claimants to overcrowding when pressing their claims to better accommodation.

Seventeen applications were received for "grant-in-aid" improvements to houses (principally owner-occupiers) and thirty four houses were improved during the year by means of the same scheme. In addition some twenty seven new mortgages were taken out by ratepayers for house purchase.

The 24 new dwellings erected by the Council during 1960 but not completed by December, 1960 became occupied in the very early months of 1961.

The Public Health Inspector found it impossible to meet the Housing Committee's instruction to examine each Council house for cleanliness (1324 houses), items of disrepair, searches for bed bugs on each actual or anticipated tenancy exchange, and submission of a monthly report to the Surveyor on items of disrepair found to exist during the 12 months ended 31st December, 1961. In April 1961 the local press carried severe criticism of the Public Health Inspector by the Council sitting in public session. Apparently the Surveyor's department were expected to have a monthly report from the Inspector on items of disrepair and neglect leading to damage; bed bugs found by an ingoing tenant upon stripping the wallpaper should have been found by the Building Inspector or by the Public Health Inspector. In one case of a widow of 70 years living alone a cost of £145 had to be met for disrepair and clearing up the premises. In another instance where a tenant vacated a Council house the cost amounted to three times that amount.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS.

Under the Public Health Acts, the Housing Act and Housing Regulations and including re-visits and re-inspections.....	484
Slaughterhouse visits for meat inspection.....	84
Prevention of damage by pests.....	41
General food shops, bakehouses etc.....	4
Defective drainage systems dealt with.....	15
Verminous premises dealt with.....	2
Water samples collected for County M.O.H.....	4
Searches for bed bugs on behalf of the Housing Committee.....	123
Council houses examined for cleanliness on behalf of the Housing Committee.....	842
Alleged dirty house (21 Newtown Avenue).....	1

FACTORIES ACTS - 1937-1959

No. of Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are enforced by local authority	4
No. of Inspections	4
No. of Notices or prosecutions	Nil
No. of Defects discovered other than one case of rodent infestation	Nil

OUTWORKERS

Nil return.

Yours faithfully,

MAURICE BENNETT.

Public Health Inspector.

SECTION V.

DIVISIONAL STAFF.

Divisional Medical Officer: R. Barnes, B.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

Senior Assistant County Medical Officer: P. H. Browin, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Assistant County Medical Officer: S. G. A. Henriques, M.B., Ch.B.

Clinic Medical Officers:

Dr. C. B. Ball,	Dr. W.G.S. Maxwell,
Dr. D. J. Fairclough,	Dr. N.M. Piercy,
Dr. H. W. Gothard,	Dr. M. Scott,
Dr. G. Ingram,	Dr. M.E. Tappisier,
Dr. J. Leishman,	Dr. L. Taylor,
Dr. K. Mathers,	Dr. J.W. Whitworth.

Divisional Nursing Officer: Miss C. Janse.

Health Visitors:

P.M.P. Adkins, (Miss)	F.A. Manley, (Mrs.)
M. Baker, (Miss)	B. McDonald, (Mrs.)
D. Gibson, (Mrs.)	D.M. Parry, (Mrs.)
A.M. Harston, (Mrs.)	C. Totty, (Mrs.)
M.E. Leo, (Miss)	A. Thompson, (Mrs.)
M. Lloyd, (Miss)	(res. July, 1961)
G.M. Lodge, (Mrs.)	D. Westerman, (Miss)
	A.H. Widdison, (Mrs.)

Tuberculosis Health Visitor: E. Boever, (Mrs.)

Clinic Nurses:

D. Hodgson, (Mrs.)	J. Woodcock, (Mrs.)
	(app. Nove. 1961)

Midwives:

B. Burtoft, (Mrs.)	I.O. Kilner, (Mrs.)
(app. June, 1961)	M. Marsland, (Mrs.)
D. Crossley, (Miss)	(res. March, 1961)
(res. June, 1961)	D. Newton, (Mrs.)
C.M. Dempsey, (Mrs.)	E. Parkes, (Mrs.)
B. Fitzpatrick, (Mrs.)	E.A. Staley, (Mrs.)
M. Hammerton, (Miss)	M. Walters, (Mrs.)
C.M. Hill, (Mrs.)	L. Wilson, (Mrs.)
B. Horsfield, (Mrs.)	(app. June, 1961)
I.L. Jones, (Mrs.)	M. Wroe, (Mrs.)

Home Nurses:

M. Allen, (Mrs.)	K.M. Hanson, (Mrs.)
M. Bexon, (Mrs.)	M. Jones, (Mrs.)
(app. December, 1961)	(res. Sept. 1961.)
V. Beech, (Mrs.)	M. McConnell, (Mrs.)
H. Biegalski, (Mrs.)	H. Padgett, (Mrs.)
E. Brooks, (Mrs.)	B. Parker, (Mrs.)
F. Cartwright, (Mrs.)	R. E. Scott, (Miss)
N.C. Crofton, (Miss)	E. A. Walker, (Miss)
E. Cross, (Mrs.)	(res. Nove. 1961)
R. Edwards, (Mrs.)	C. Wilson, (Mrs.)
	(app. Nove. 1961)

Mental Welfare Officers:

M. Whiteley, (Mrs.)	T. Burtoft, (Mr.)
	(app. April, 1961)

Mental Health Home Teacher: E. Harrott, (Mrs.)

Speech Therapist: S. Holmes, (Mrs.)

Senior Clerk: L. S. Wrigg, (Mr.)

DIVISIONAL REPORT

Vital Statistics

I have compiled a comparative table of the vital statistics for each of the County districts comprising Division No. 25, which I feel may be of interest to each separate authority in assessing how they stand in relation to the local figures generally.

Births

The number of live births registered in the area in 1961 was 1,264, which was 32 fewer than in the previous year. This is equivalent to a crude birth rate of 16.6 per 1,000 compared with 16.7 per 1,000 in the previous year. Of these births 39 were illegitimate which represents 3.1% of the total births.

Stillbirths

There were 29 stillbirths during the year, compared with 24 in the previous year. This gives a stillbirth rate of 22.4 compared with 13.2 for the previous year and with 13.7 for England and Wales.

Deaths

The deaths assigned to the divisional area after the addition and deduction of inward and outward transfers was 849, which was exactly 90 more than in the previous year. This gives a crude death rate for the division of 11.1 compared with 9.3 in the previous year. You will notice in the table that this is lower than any of the other figures given for individual districts, but the other figures show adjusted rates. Unfortunately, no adjusted rate is available for the division.

Infant Mortality

There were 28 infant deaths in the division during the year, exactly the same as in the previous year. 20 of these deaths occurred in the neo-natal period, compared with 21 in the previous year. This gives an infant mortality rate for the division of 22.9 as compared with 21.6 for the previous year. You will appreciate that this is very close to the national average with the administrative County standing at 24.6 and with England and Wales at 21.4.

Smallpox Vaccination

There has been some improvement in the number of children vaccinated against the disease during the year 1961. During the year 554 children were vaccinated, and this compares with 495 in 1960, but with 678 in 1959. Last year I did express some fear that the changing age group would result in some permanent falling off in the number of children vaccinated. This appears to have been the case.

Whooping Cough and Diphtheria Immunisation

Substantial progress was made during the year in immunising children against both diseases. The percentage of children under the age of 15 years immunised against Diphtheria rose from 74.0% to 80.4% during 1961. The pre-school group rose from 60.2% to 69.5% and the school group rose from 80.6% to 84.6%. Immunisation against Whooping Cough also showed some improvement with 69.0% of the 0 - 4 age group population immunised, an increase of almost 9%.

Poliomyelitis Vaccination

Detailed statistics of Poliomyelitis vaccination carried out to date is given in the appropriate tables. Summarising these, 23,600 people have received two doses of vaccine and of these 23,915 have received a third dose - quite a creditable response. It will be noted from the table that there is a gross disparity between the districts in the column headed "4th Doses", but the reason for this is that the majority of these doses were carried out in the month of August by Dr. Brown who was not on holiday, and before it could be extended to the remainder of the Division shortage of vaccine prevented further work.

<u>District</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Population</u> <u>Registrar General's</u> <u>Estimate Mid 1961.</u>	<u>Adjusted</u> <u>Birth Rate</u> <u>per 1,000 pop.</u>	<u>Adjusted</u> <u>Death Rate</u> <u>per 1,000 pop.</u>	<u>Still-</u> <u>Birth</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>Infant</u> <u>Death Rate</u>	<u>Peri-natal</u> <u>Mortality Rate</u>
CUDWORTH ...	1,746	9,040	16.9	15.5	18.5	25.2	30.9
DARFIELD ...	2,018	6,890	17.4	13.1	24.4	25.0	48.8
DARTON ...	4,726	14,090	15.7	15.2	21.6	22.1	30.3
DODWORTH ...	1,857	4,140	17.5	16.0	26.3	13.5	26.3
ROYSTON ...	1,452	8,550	16.7	17.7	26.5	27.2	46.4
WOMBWELL ...	3,850	18,810	15.2	13.8	17.2	24.5	27.5
WORSBROUGH ...	3,420	14,660	17.3	14.2	26.8	19.7	34.5
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RATES FOR THE							
DIVISION ...	20,099	76,180	16.6 (Crude)	11.1 (Crude)	22.4	22.9	34.0
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RATES FOR THE							
ADMINISTRATIVE							
COUNTY ...			17.4	13.4	20.2	24.6	34.2
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ENGLAND							
AND WALES ...			17.4	12.0	18.7	21.4	Not available

IMMUNISATION STATISTICS 1961

<u>District</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Whooping Cough</u>		<u>Diphtheria Immunisation</u>			<u>Smallpox</u>	<u>Tetanus</u>	
		<u>Immunisation</u>	<u>0-4 yrs. age</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>No. vaccinated</u>	<u>No. Immunised</u>	
		<u>No.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>0 - 15</u>	<u>0 - 4</u>	<u>5 - 15</u>	<u>during year</u>	<u>during year</u>	
CUDWORTH	...	9,040	59.3	69.7	90.0	69.5	98.5	58	174
DARFIELD	...	6,390	51.1	77.5	90.4	72.2	98.4	146	99
DARTON	...	14,090	70.5	60.5	69.3	62.0	72.3	68	181
DODNORTH	...	4,140	28.5	84.1	83.3	80.7	84.1	9	124
ROYSTON	...	8,550	47.4	65.9	89.2	79.0	94.2	68	168
WOMBELL	...	18,810	1,111	69.4	79.2	69.2	84.4	38	239
WORSBROUGH	...	14,660	926	70.0	71.3	68.0	73.2	117	274
DIVISIONAL FIGURES	...	76,180	4,605	69.0	80.4	69.5	84.6	554	1,259

	Position at 31st December, 1960					Completed during 1961					Total at end of Year				
	Children	Young Persons	Expectant Mothers	Adults	TOTALS	Children	Young Persons	Expectant Mothers	Adults	TOTALS	Children	Young Persons	Expectant Mothers	Adults	TOTALS
District															
CUDWORTH	2,024	837	386	63	3,310	277	29	26	351	683	2,301	866	412	414	3,993
DARFIELD	1,700	736	110	60	2,626	392	105	4	43	544	2,092	861	114	103	3,170
DARTON	2,236	841	54	109	3,240	262	17	2	126	407	2,498	858	56	235	3,647
DODWORTH	1,163	496	31	18	1,708	101	40	19	81	241	1,264	536	50	99	1,949
ROYSTON	1,590	493	13	19	2,115	55	26	8	41	130	1,645	519	21	60	2,245
WOMBWELL	4,287	823	97	105	5,312	536	191	8	314	1,049	4,823	1,014	105	419	6,361
WORSBROUGH	2,985	498	231	94	3,808	555	94	31	89	769	3,540	592	262	183	4,577
BARNSELEY SCHOOLS	355	196	-	-	551	-	-	-	-	-	355	196	-	-	551
OCCUPATION CENTRE	12	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	12
NATIONAL COAL BOARD	122	1,808	-	165	2,095	-	-	-	-	-	122	1,808	-	165	2,095
DIVISIONAL TOTALS	16,474	6,748	922	633	24,777	2,178	502	98	1,045	3,823	18,652	7,250	1,020	1,678	28,600

POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION 1961 - (WITH THREE DOSES)

District	Position at 31st December, 1960.				Completed during 1961.				Total at end of Year				FOURTH DOSES
	Children	Young Persons	Others	TOTALS	Children	Young Persons	Others	TOTALS	Children	Young Persons	Others	TOTALS	
CUDWORTH	1,018	500	237	1,755	673	86	351	1,110	1,691	586	588	2,865	-
DARFIELD	1,432	545	124	2,101	151	160	61	372	1,583	705	185	2,473	580
D/LRTON	2,190	673	57	2,920	356	37	145	538	2,546	710	202	3,458	19
DODWORTH	729	151	27	907	208	59	37	304	937	210	64	1,211	204
ROYSTON	1,369	413	11	1,793	91	68	129	288	1,460	481	140	2,081	2
WOMBWELL	2,940	634	127	3,701	1,206	201	157	1,564	4,146	835	284	5,265	790
WORSBROUGH	2,357	348	139	2,844	1,217	175	181	1,573	3,574	523	320	4,417	720
BARNESLEY SCHOOLS	359	48	-	407	-	-	-	-	359	48	-	407	-
NATIONAL COAL BOARD	105	1,627	6	1,738	-	-	-	-	105	1,627	6	1,738	-
DIVISIONAL TOTALS	12,499	4,939	728	18,166	3,902	786	1,061	5,749	16,401	5,725	1,789	23,915	2,315

School Health Service

Substantial progress was made with routine school medical inspection during the year, although the total number of children inspected only rose by 300. Many schools were visited which were long over-due, and that in itself is a very satisfactory achievement. Table I shows the work carried out by the school health service during the year.

Mantoux Testing of School Entrants

This service continued during the year with very satisfactory results. It has now become a matter of course that the number of children positive because of B.C.G. Vaccination far exceeds those who are positive for natural reasons.

Contact tracing from one of the six cases concerned led to the detection of one adult active case and another child with a primary focus in the family. This is regarded as an important preventive measure. See Table II.

Chiropody Service

Table III shows the work carried out by the Chiropody Service during the year. In six of the districts the service is run as a direct service of the County Council, but in Darfield the Trustees of the Darfield Nurse's Home have continued to run their scheme very successfully on an agency basis for the County Council. This year I have managed to obtain some estimates of the population of people of pensionable age in each district. This has enabled me to give an approximate number of pensioners who are availing themselves of the service. This has shown that the demand is remarkably constant from district to district with the possible exception of Dodworth where a special problem with regard to feet seems to exist.

Midwifery and Maternity Services

The number of cases attended by domiciliary midwives was 610 compared with 670 in the previous year. There were 655 institutional confinements compared with 647 during the previous year. This was the first full year in which Trilene Analgesia was available to all patients, and it is noteworthy that 88% of all patients had some form of analgesia during their domiciliary labour. These were distributed as follows:

Pethidine alone	...	...	...	...	33
Gas and Air alone	...	...	...	...	83
Gas and Air and Pethidine	122
Trilene alone	109
Trilene and Pethidine	190
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TOTAL	537

Ante-Natal Clinics

A total of 2,782 attendances was made by 624 women at ante-natal clinics in the Division during the year. The number of new cases attending was 548. In addition to this, 210 mothers made 231 attendances at post-natal clinics during the year. Relaxation classes were run in various parts of the Division, and a total of 1,136 attendances was made.

Attendances at the Ante-Natal Clinic, Old People's Centre, Cudworth, showed a slight decline during the year when 896 attendances were made compared with 1,000 attendances in the previous year. The Relaxation Classes run by district midwives proved very popular, with 189 attendances compared with 137 attendances in the previous year.

Infant Welfare Clinics

Most of the infant welfare clinics in the Division continued to thrive, and 1,268 new cases attended under the age of one year. During 1961 a total of 3,334 children made 40,098 attendances at local authority child welfare clinics. This compared with 3,018 children who made 34,743 attendances in the previous year.

Your local clinic at the Old People's Centre showed a steady increase during the year. 2,632 attendances were made by children under the age of 1 year, and 2,370 attendances by children over that age, compared with 2,503 and 2,005 respectively in 1960.

SUMMARY OF DEFECTS FOUND

TABLE I

District	No. of children inspected	Number Satisfactory	Number Unsatisfactory	EYE		E.N.T.		HEART		LUNGS		ORTHOPAEDIC		OTHERS	
				Treat-ment	Obser-vation	Treat-ment	Obser-vation	Treat-ment	Obser-vation	Treat-ment	Obser-vation	Treat-ment	Obser-vation	Treat-ment	Obser-vation
CUDWORTH	604	602	2	22	63	6	52	-	1	3	11	6	10	10	31
DARFIELD	451	450	1	-	41	7	14	1	5	1	6	4	9	8	40
DARTON	645	644	1	45	74	8	16	-	4	-	5	4	14	21	35
DODWORTH	249	247	2	16	15	3	6	-	7	-	1	-	7	9	11
ROYSTON	624	624	-	48	87	11	26	1	7	1	1	3	9	18	37
WOMBWELL	762	759	3	74	159	16	19	1	6	2	13	7	13	26	39
WORSBROUGH	604	602	2	60	92	6	25	-	5	1	16	7	14	5	33
<u>TOTALS</u>	3,939	3,928	11	265	531	57	158	3	35	8	53	31	76	97	216

SPECIALIST CLINICS.

<u>District</u>		<u>Ophthalmic</u>	<u>Ear, Nose and Throat</u>	<u>Paediatric</u>	<u>Orthopaedic</u>	<u>Child Guidance</u>
Cudworth	... ..	144	51	4	22	24
Darfield	... ..	104	12	3	8	3
Darton	... ..	213	43	2	17	34
Dodworth	... ..	65	4	2	-	6
Royston	... ..	115	33	5	8	5
Wombwell	... ..	362	16	11	16	29
Worsbrough	... ..	257	22	10	18	40

MINOR AILMENT CLINICS AND SCHOOL CLINICS.

<u>District</u>		<u>Minor Ailment Clinics Cases Treated</u>	<u>School Clinics No. seen by Doctor</u>
Cudworth	... ..	-	232
Darfield	... ..	31	64
Darton	... ..	39	201
Dodworth	... ..	10	18
Royston	... ..	111	135
Wombwell	... ..	28	29
Worsbrough	... ..	834	80

SPEECH THERAPY.

<u>District</u>		<u>No. of Children.</u>	<u>Total Attendances</u>
Cudworth	... ..	7	127
Darfield	... ..	2	18
Darton	... ..	8	104
Dodworth	... ..	2	23
Royston	... ..	6	76
Wombwell	... ..	11	182
Worsbrough	... ..	9	175
Wombwell Special School		9	187

MANTOUX TESTING OF SCHOOL ENTRANTS

TABLE II

District	No. of Children offered	No. of children accepting	Acceptance Rate	No. of children negative	No. of children positive because of B.C.G.	No. positive other than B.C.G.	Total Positive	% Positive other than B.C.G.	Referred by Chest Physician
CUDWORTH	161	132	82%	127	1	4	5	3.0	4
DARFELD	113	100	88.5%	98	2	-	2	0.0	Nil
DARTON	146	117	80.1%	117	-	-	-	0.0	Nil
ROYSTON	144	117	81.2%	117	-	-	-	0.0	Nil
WOMBWELL	418	384	91.8%	379	4	1	5	0.26	1
WORSBROUGH	217	193	89%	186	6	1	7	0.53	1
TOTALS FOR DIVISION	1,199	1,043	87%	1,024	13	6	19	0.53	6

CHIROPODY SERVICE

TABLE III

Area	Estimated Population of Pensioners	% of Pensioners receiving treatment	No. of sessions held	No. OF PATIENTS TREATED IN CLINIC OR SURGERY		No. OF TREATMENTS CARRIED OUT IN CLINIC OR SURGERY		No. OF PATIENTS TREATED AT HOME		No. OF TREATMENTS CARRIED OUT AT HOME	
				Pensioners	Physically Handicapped	Pensioners	Physically Handicapped	Pensioners	Physically Handicapped	Pensioners	Physically Handicapped
CUDWORTH	1,020	15.1	44	94	3	333	12	61	1	212	6
DARFIELD	775	23.8	97	170	4	860	13	74	3	342	8
DARTON	1,720	17.7	140	221	12	1,069	40	85	5	437	32
DODWORTH	360	42.5	74	123	1	551	2	30	3	108	8
ROYSTON	1,050	21.0	95	187	3	736	14	34	2	213	6
WOMBWELL	2,150	20.5	140	350	$\frac{7}{1 \text{ Expectant Mother}}$	1,117	$\frac{27}{2 \text{ Expectant Mothers}}$	92	2	321	8
WORSBROUGH	1,620	16.0	118	187	3	875	15	72	2	211	11
DIVISIONAL TOTALS	8,695	20.4	708	1,332	$\frac{33}{1 \text{ Expectant Mother}}$	5,541	$\frac{123}{2 \text{ Expectant Mothers}}$	448	18	1,844	75

Health Visiting

The staffing position with regard to health visiting remains stable and some progress was made in recruiting clinic nurses to relieve health visitors of some of the routine work. The total number of effective visits carried out by health visitors during the year was 28,952. The small table below shows the work carried out in detail.

	No. of children under 5 visited during year	Expectant Mothers		Children under 1 yr.		Child- ren 1 - 2 years.	Child- ren 2 - 5 years.	Other Cases	No. of families and households visited
		1st Visits	Total Visits	1st Visits	Total Visits	Total Visits	Total Visits	Total Visits	
Effective Visits:	4,273	218	578	1,227	7,316	4,636	5,530	11,470	4,480
No Access Visits:		24	72	316	1,113	472	657	1,020	15

The scheme for testing of babies for the presence of Phenylketonuria was continued during the year, and the health visiting staff tested 1,165 babies, all of whom were negative. This compares with 847 babies in the previous year, but this was the first full year of testing. The figure for 1961 represents 92.2% of the births during the year.

Home Nursing

The Home Nurses in the division made 46,895 visits during the year 1961, compared with 47,464 visits during 1960. 39,985 of these visits were to "medical" cases, 6,504 to "surgical" cases and 217 visits were made to Tuberculosis patients. The most noticeable change in these figures is the acute fall in visits to Tuberculosis patients who in the previous year received 680 visits. 55% of the patients attended were over the age of 65 years, and this category claimed nearly 75% of the visits.

Loan of Equipment

I think perhaps the availability of this service has not been appreciated by the public, and I give below the issues of equipment made during the year. This may demonstrate the range which has and is being provided in the year.

	No. of Issues		No. of Issues
Bedding - blankets	18	Mattresses	48
pillows	12	Pressure rings	56
pillowcases	24	Rubber sheets	170
sheets	40	Urinal bottles	86
Bed Cradles	30	Crutches	11
Bed pans	146	Walking Aids	18
Bedsteads with self-lifting poles	18	Wheel Chairs - Adult ...	32
Bedsteads - other	13	Wheel Chairs - Junior	4
Commodore	29	Footbath	1
Cushions - Dunlopillo	8	Adult Cot	1
Fracture Boards	4	Draw Sheets	51
Bed rests	59	Feeding Cups	3

The issue of this material is for temporary cases. The responsibility for permanent cases rests with the Ministry of Pensions, but in many cases we have made temporary loans until the permanent loan is available.

Home Help Service

The Home Help Service again provided the service mainly for the elderly and the proportion of hours expended in this category was 90.8% compared with 92% in the previous year. The total number of households assisted during the year was 821, compared with 729 in 1960. The number of hours received rose slightly to a total of 125,309. 139 part-time home helps were employed.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE.

MENTAL SUBNORMALITY

A. Cases ascertained to be mentally subnormal and subject to be dealt with in 1961:

Number in which action was taken on reports by:

	<u>Under</u> <u>16 yrs.</u>		<u>Over</u> <u>16 yrs.</u>	
	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>
i Local Education Authority				
a. While at school or liable to attend school	4	2	-	-
b. On leaving Special School ...	2	1	1	3
c. On leaving ordinary school ...	1	1	-	-
ii Police or by the Courts	-	-	-	-
iii Other sources (Transfer from other districts, re-ascertainments, etc.)	2	1	-	2
	9	5	1	5

B. Particulars of cases removed from Register during 1961:

i By reason of death	-	1	-	-
ii De-classified	-	-	-	-
iii Removal to Hospitals	-	1	-	1
iv Transfer to other districts ...	-	-	-	1
	-	2	-	2

C. Particulars of Cases on the Register at 31st December, 1961.

i Care and Guidance	28	17	74	99
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Training Facilities for mentally sub-normal patients

Particulars of sub-normal patients:

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Supervisor</u>				
Wombwell ...	Mrs. E. Large, ...	14	9	4	7
Hemsworth ...	Mrs. Towel ...	-	2	-	1
Barnsley C.B.	Miss Smith ...	5	1	2	4
		19	12	6	12

During the year 1961 there were 34 severely sub-normal children in the division who were under 16 years of age. 31 were in full-time attendance at the three Training Centres. The remaining three were unable to be catered for due to physical as well as mental disability.

At the Wombwell Training Centre there is only provision for 27 pupils and at the end of the year 34 pupils were attending.

I am pleased to say that work has been started on both the extension and alterations to The Gables Training Centre, and the building of the new Adult Centre. I hope to see both buildings completed before the end of 1962.

GROUP TRAINING

For the mentally sub-normal adults who are unable to attend a Training Centre, Group Training Classes are held in various parts of the Division, and in cases of physical handicaps or domestic commitments home visits are made.

Four Group Training Classes are held in the following districts:

Monday,	9.45 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.	Darby and Joan Club, Royston. (Mrs. E. Harrott)
Tuesday,	9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.	Parish Hall, Wombwell. (Mrs. E. Harrott)
Wednesday,	9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.	W.R.C.C. Clinic, Worsbrough. (Mrs. E. Harrott)
Friday,	9.45 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.	Infant Welfare Centre, Darton. (Mrs. E. Harrott)

During the year 3 males and 20 females attended the Group Training Classes and 8 females and 1 male were visited by the teacher to give home tuition.

Wombwell Training Centre

During the year the Training Centre had 34 pupils on its register, which was seven more than the original establishment.

The following table shows the distribution of the pupils in age groups.

	5 yrs.	6 yrs.	7 yrs.	8 yrs.	9 yrs.	10 yrs.	11 yrs.	12 yrs.	13 yrs.	14 yrs.	15 yrs.	16+ yrs.
Males	3	1	1	1	1	4	-	-	1	1	-	4
Females	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	2	-	3	8

Miss Lister commenced on the N.A.M.H. Training Centre at Sheffield last September, and in her place on a temporary basis we were happy to welcome Miss Smith.

Thanks are again due to the Parent Teacher Association and the Wombwell Rotary and Inner Wheel. The Parent Association has donated to the Centre a tape recorder. The Wombwell Rotary and Inner Wheel organised a five-day Whitsuntide holiday for 15 of the mentally sub-normal at Scarborough.

The staff and the children had their annual day's outing to Cleethorpes, and also enjoyed a half-day's outing to Goole to the residence of Canon and Mrs. Adkins. Due to the structural alterations to the Training Centre the Garden Party and Open Day were not able to be held. A Christmas Fair and party were held in the Wombwell Church Hall. The hiring of the hall was paid for by the Parent Association and presents to the value of ten shillings each were presented to the children.

Accommodation

During the past year ten cases have been admitted to hospital, for short-stay accommodation, which was appreciated by the parents.

Mental Health - Psychiatry

During the first year of the New Mental Health Act, 1959, the Mental Welfare Officers assisted in the admission to Storthes Hall Hospital of thirty-eight patients. Many more were admitted informally via the General Practitioners. In the course of the year there were thirty-four request for after-care for patients from the Storthes Hall Hospital.

The Mental Welfare Officers also assisted at two clinics in the area. The Psychiatric Clinic held on a Wednesday afternoon at the Beckett Hospital and the Child Guidance Clinic on Thursday afternoons at 6 Victoria Road, Barnsley.

DISPOSAL OF MENTALLY HANDICAPPED ON THE
SUPERVISION REGISTER FOR THE WHOLE DIVISION

<u>Age Groups</u>	<u>Receiving Training</u>				<u>Assisting in the Home</u>	<u>Training offers refused</u>	<u>Unable to be trained because of physical or mental disability</u>	<u>Still in ordinary school</u>
	<u>Occupation Centre</u>	<u>Group Training</u>	<u>Home Teaching</u>	<u>Working</u>				
<u>FEMALES:</u>								
Under 16 years ...	12	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Over 16 years ...	12	20	8	21	15	-	4	1
<u>MALES:</u>								
Under 16 years ...	19	-	-	3	-	-	1	-
Over 16 years ...	6	3	1	39	20	-	2	-
TOTALS ...	49	23	9	63	35	-	9	1

(1 Male over 16 years, who is attending the group training classes, is mentally ill.)

